## COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

## BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the Matter of:

THE APPLICATION OF SOME RESIDENTS OF )
SPENCER COUNTY FOR EXTENDED AREA ) CASE NO. 8860
TELEPHONE SERVICE WITH LOUISVILLE )

## ORDER

On February 17, 1984, the residents of Spencer County requesting Extended Area Telephone Coverage ("EAS") with Louisville filed petitions with signatures of subscribers from both the Louisville and Taylorsville exchanges. Both exchanges are served by South Central Bell Telephone Company ("Bell").

The residents requesting EAS were directed to file 208 signatures from Taylorsville subscribers and 3,146 signatures from Louisville subscribers in order to meet Step 2 of the Commission's EAS guidelines. The petitions were to be filed by February 22, 1984.

The signatures on the petitions were verified on a random basis. The Commission staff counted approximately 400 valid signatures from Taylorsville and approximately 3,480 valid signatures from Louisville. Bell counted approximately 3,340 valid signatures from Louisville. These numbers are all greater than the required number as stated previously.

After considering this matter and being advised, the Commission is of the opinion and finds that:

- (1) The required number of signatures was obtained from both Taylorsville and Louisville subscribers;
- (2) The signatures were obtained within the time limits required by the Commission; and
- (3) As a result of (1) and (2) above, Bell should perform a traffic study as described in Step 3 of the Commission's EAS quidelines.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Bell shall perform the necessary study to determine originating traffic between the Louisville and Taylorsville exchanges as described in the Commission's EAS guidelines, and be prepared to present the results within 30 days after the end of the data gathering period.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 29th day of March, 1984.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Commissioner Commissioner

ATTEST: